

# On the bridge: Astero-seismology meets nuclear astrophysics in massive stars

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# Key ingredients for nucleosynthetic yields

There are three key “ingredients” to nucleosynthetic yields:

- ❑ How to produce the isotopes?
- ❑ How to move the isotopes inside the star?
- ❑ How to move the isotopes out of the star?

These come together in massive stars

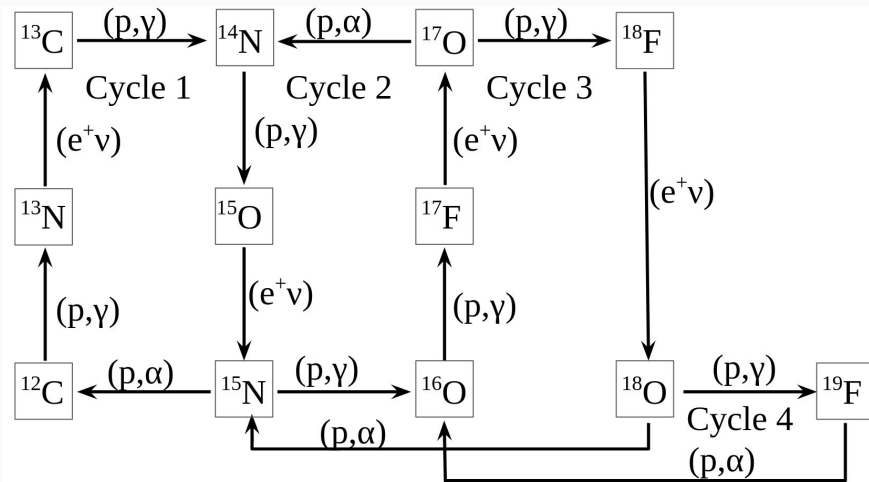
# How to produce the isotopes?

Nuclear reaction rates:

- ❑ Control isotope production and their ratios
- ❑ Duration of burning cycles
  - ❑ Lifetime of the star

Project input:

- ❑ 212 isotope nuclear network
- ❑ JINA reaction-rate library



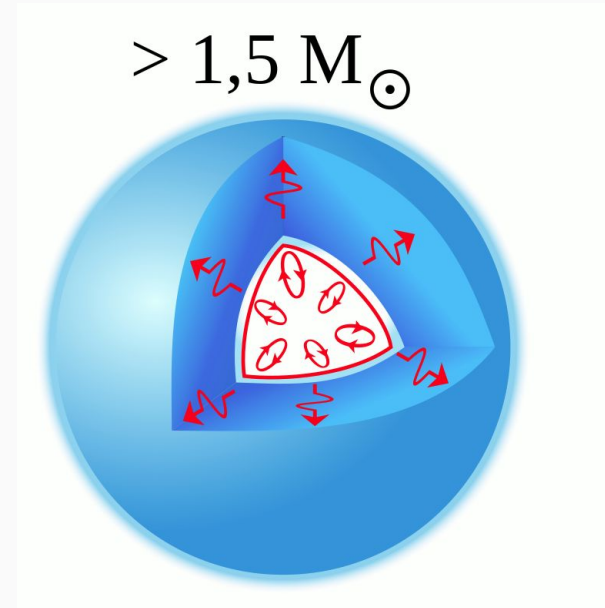
# How to move the isotopes inside the star?

Mixing processes:

- ❑ Convective boundary mixing
- ❑ Envelope mixing

Project input:

- ❑ Ledoux criterion for convection
- ❑ **Asteroseismically inferred values for convective boundary mixing and envelope mixing**



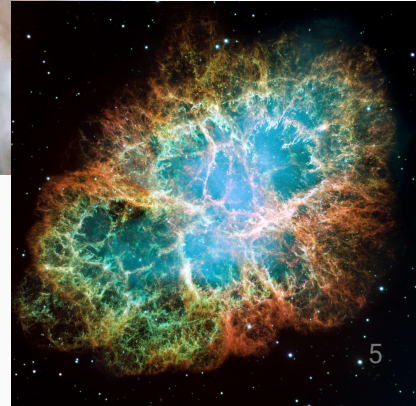
# How to move the isotopes out of the star?

Mass loss via:

- ❑ Stellar winds
- ❑ Supernova explosions
- ❑ Binary interactions

Current project focus:

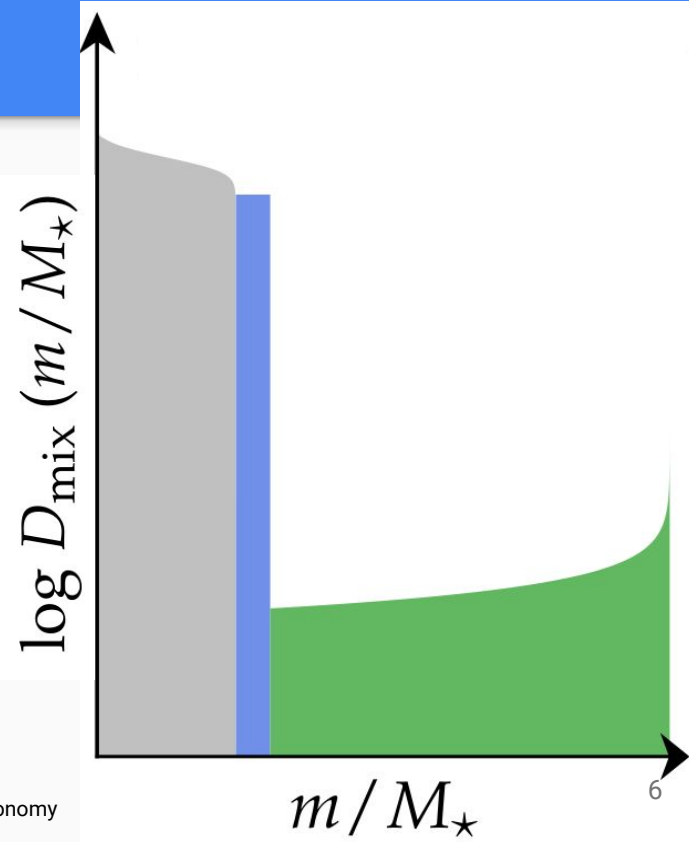
- ❑ **Stellar winds for wind yields**



# Connection to asteroseismology

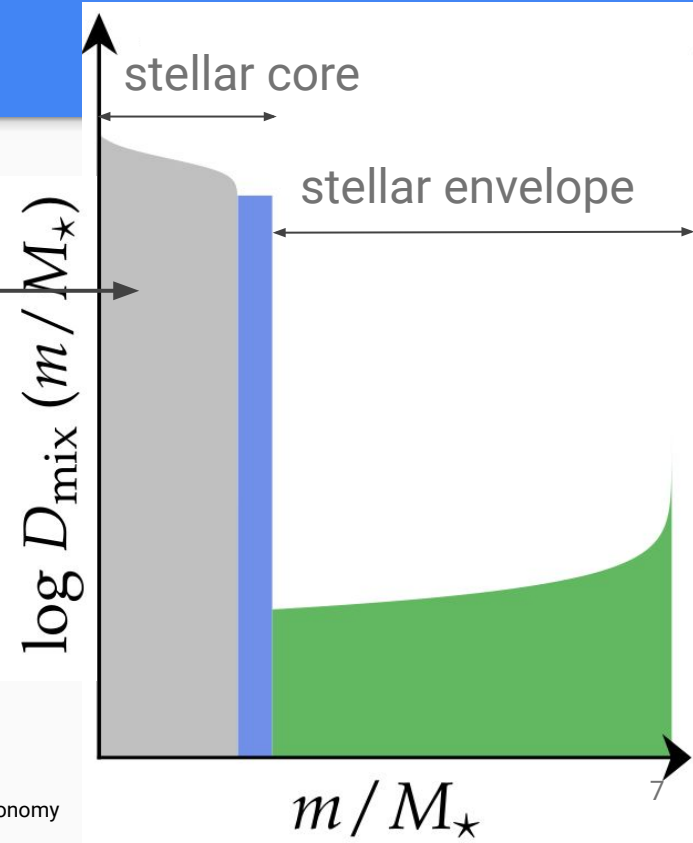
What is asteroseismology?

*Asteroseismology is the study of the internal structures of stars by means of their oscillations, comparable to how we learn about the interior of the Earth by studying earthquakes*



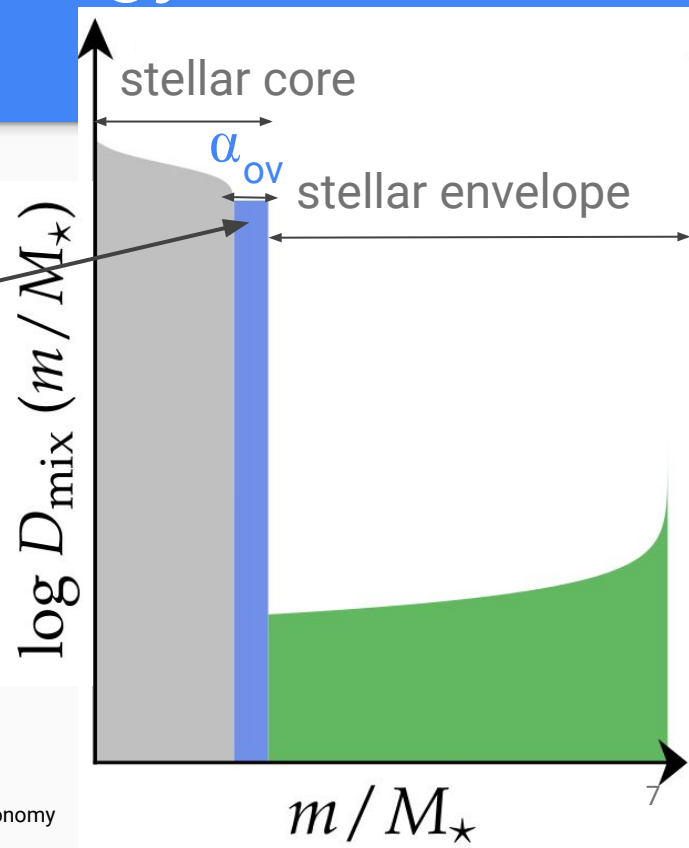
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*Based on observations, stars have larger  
convective cores than standard stellar  
evolution models currently predict*



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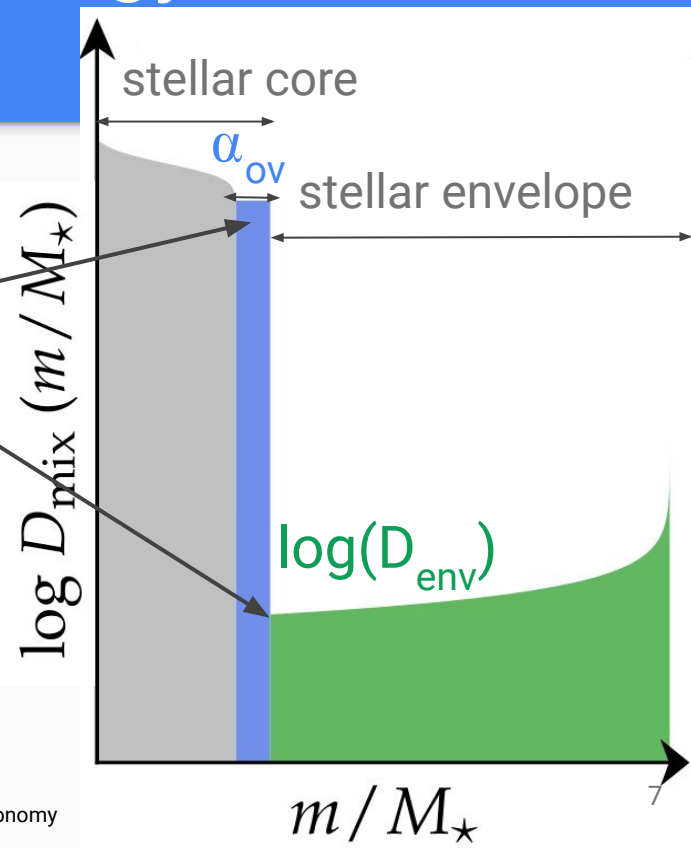
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# Connection to asteroseismology

- ❑ How could this difference be solved?
- ❑ Use of calibrated **convective boundary mixing (CBM)**
- ❑ Use of calibrated **envelope mixing (D<sub>env</sub>)** at the bottom of the envelope



# Linking back to nucleosynthesis

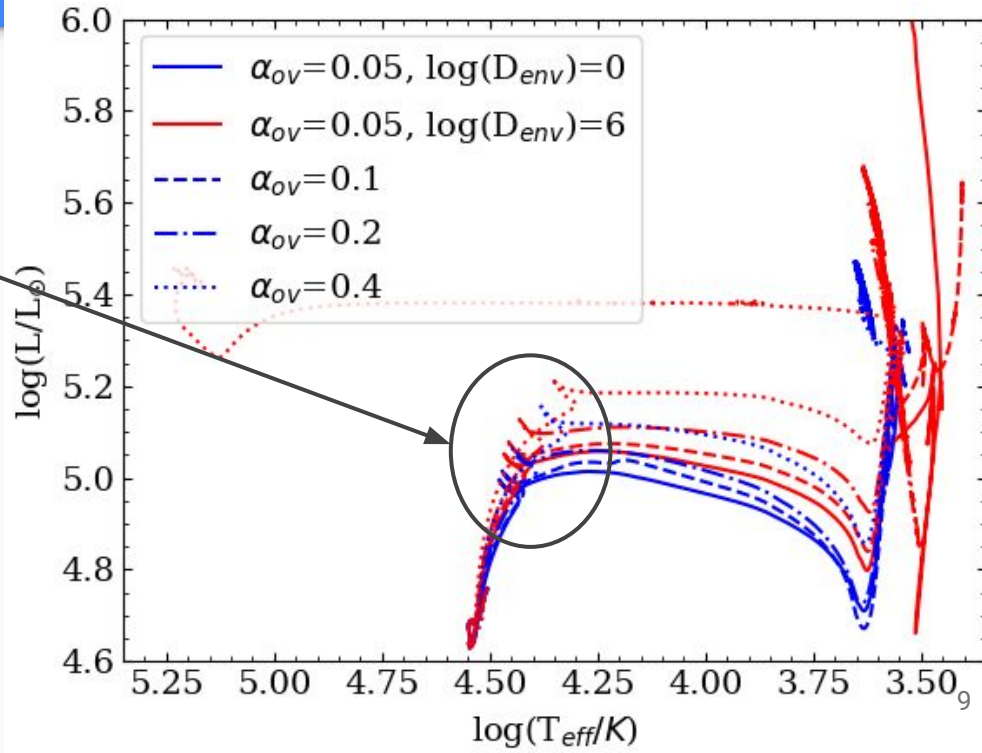
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  - ❑ Initial masses 7-30  $M_{\odot}$ , covering the lower and upper supernova boundary
  - ❑ Initial metallicity  $Z=0.014$
  - ❑ Nuclear network of 212 isotopes
  - ❑  $\alpha_{\text{ov}}$  and  $D_{\text{env}}$  are varied according to asteroseismology

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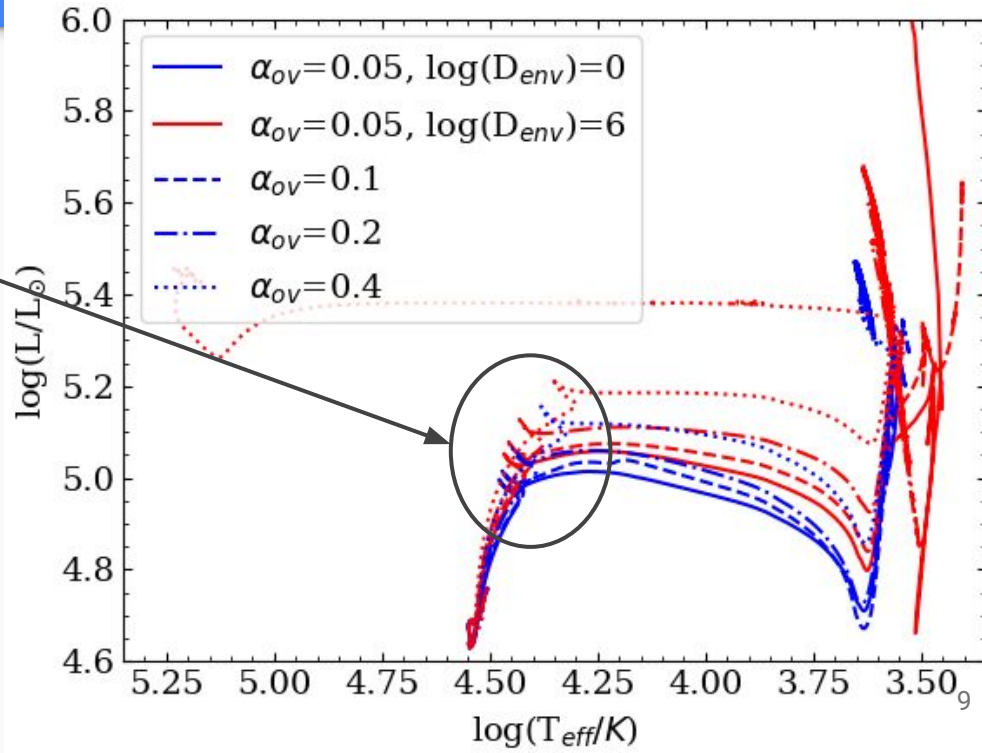
# Linking back to nucleosynthesis, first tests

- More CBM/a higher  $D_{env}$  leads to:
  - Higher luminosity at the TAMS
  - 4.98 - 5.22  $\log(L/L_{\odot})$



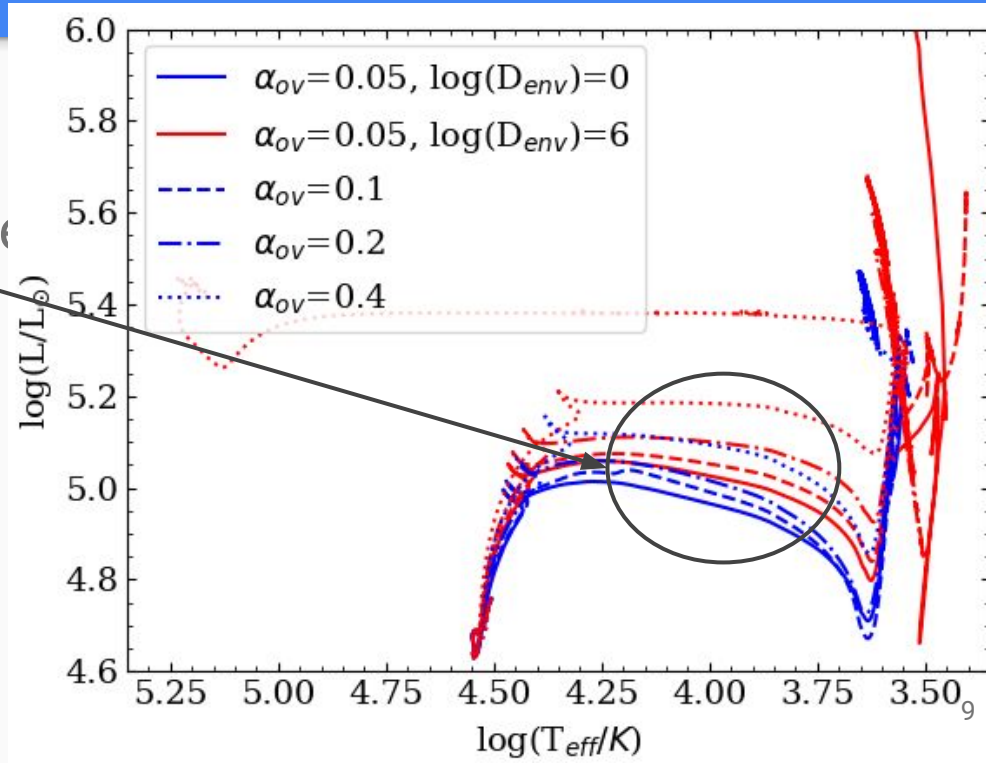
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- More CBM/a higher  $D_{env}$  leads to:
  - Lower temperature at the TAMS
  - 4.36 - 4.46  $\log(T_{eff}/K)$



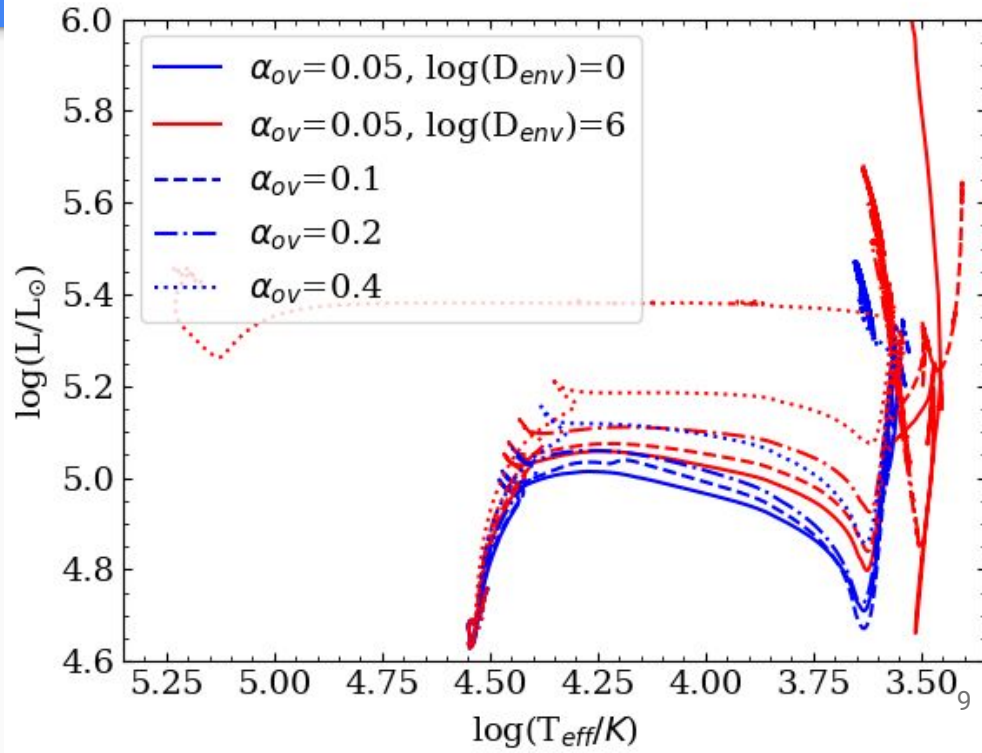
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- More CBM/a higher  $D_{env}$  leads to:
  - Higher luminosity on the Hertzsprung-gap
  - 5.06 - 5.33  $\log(L/L_{\odot})$



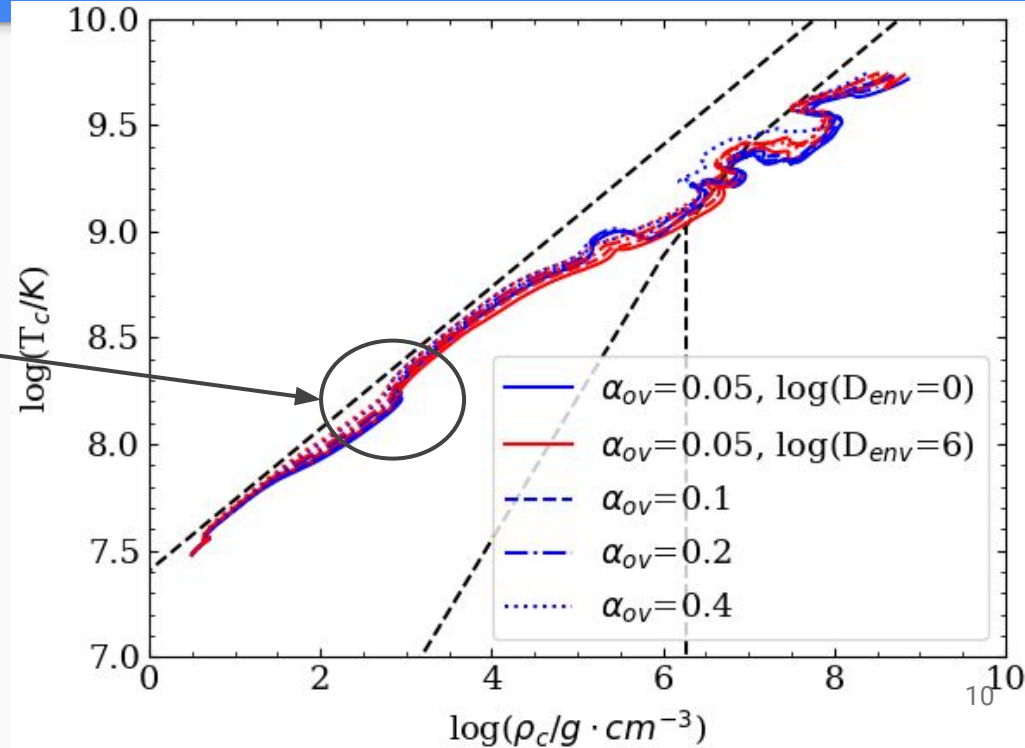
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- More CBM/a higher  $D_{env}$  leads to:
  - Longer duration of the main-sequence
  - 8.08 - 10.13 Myr



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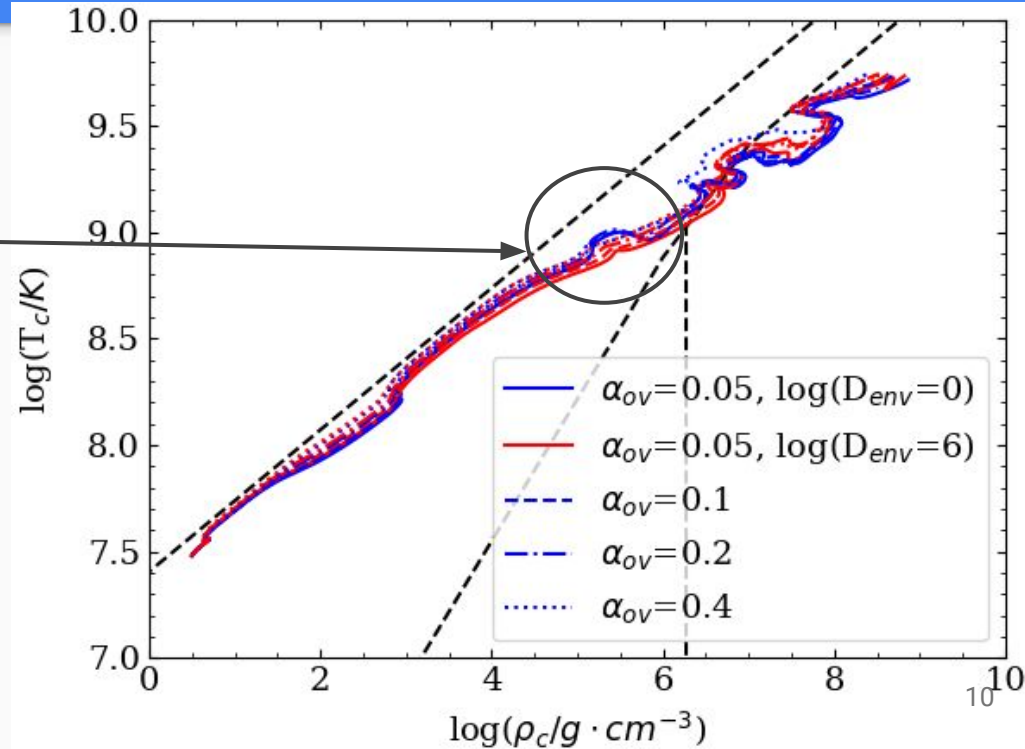
- More CBM/a higher  $D_{env}$  leads to:
  - Higher central temperature at helium burning
  - 8.24 - 8.27  $\log(T_c/K)$





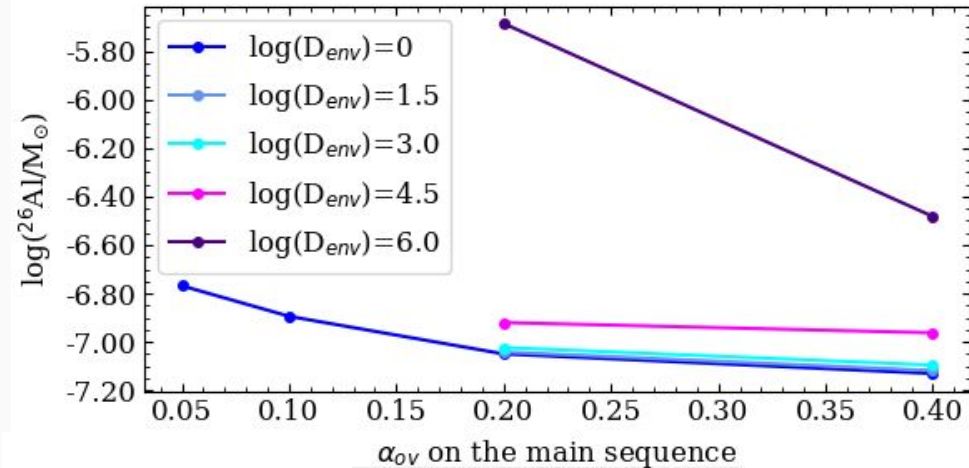
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- More CBM/a higher  $D_{env}$  leads to:
  - An earlier transition to radiative carbon burning



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- More CBM leads to:
  - a lower  $^{26}\text{Al}$  yield  $\rightarrow$  longer main-sequence leading to more internal decay
  - 8.08–9.49 Myr
- A higher  $D_{\text{env}}$  leads to
  - a higher  $^{26}\text{Al}$  yield  $\rightarrow$  more mixing within the stellar envelope



# Future work

Full set of models coming, stay tuned!

- ❑ Future work will include:
  - ❑ Complete nucleosynthetic wind yields
  - ❑ Details of the evolution of the stellar models, such as:
    - ❑ Lifetimes, total and for separate burning phases
    - ❑ Mass loss, total and for separate burning phases
    - ❑ Core masses
    - ❑ C/O-ratio for the helium-depleted cores